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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE UNITED NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE PARTY (UNIT), ENDED HERE THURSDAY WITH A SERIES OF WIDE RANGING RESOLUTIONS COVERING THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SITUATION INTERNALLY, AND THE POLITICAL SITUATION BOTH AT HOME AND IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

A RESOLUTION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA, SAYS AS A RESULT OF THE RECENT VISIT TO EUROPE BY PRESIDENT KAUNDA WHERE HE DETAILED THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION IN THIS PART OF AFRICA, WESTERN NATIONS WOULD NO LONGER HAVE A BASIS FOR CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THE WHITE MINORITY GOVERNMENTS OF THE REGION.

"AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THESE VISITS, WEST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES CANNOT NOW PLEAD ANY IGNORANCE OF THE DANGEROUS REALITIES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA SHOULD THEY CONTINUE TO GIVE SUSTENANCE TO THE MINORITY AND RACIST REGIMES IN THE REGION," IT SAYS.

ACCORDING TO THE RESOLUTION, THE UNIP COUNCIL COMMENDED AND UNCLASSIFIED

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SUPPORTED PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S "CONSISTENT AND UNTIRING EFFORTS AND THOSE OF THE OTHER FRONTLINE HEADS OF STATE TO FIND A JUST SOLUTION TO THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN PROBLEMS OF INDEPENDENCE UNDER MAJORITY RULE, FOR SIMBABWE, AND NAMIBIA, AND THE LIQUIDATION OF APARTHEID AND THE EMERGENCE OF MAJORITY RULE IN SOUTH AFRICA."

THE FOUR-DAY MEETING CONDEMNED "THE WANTON ACTS OF AGGRESSION"

BY RHODESIA AGAINST MOZAMBIQUE, BOTSWANA AND ZAMBIA, WHILE IT COMMENDED WHAT IT TERMED "THE HEROIC EFFORTS AND VICTORIES" BY THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN THEIR STRUGGLE TO "ANNIHILATE THE FORCES OF IMPERIALISM, FACIST DOMINATION AND RACIST REGIMES IN ZIMBABWE, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA."

"IN THIS CONNECTION, THE COUNCIL FULLY SUPPORTS THE STAND OF ZAMBIA AND THE OTHER FRONTLINE COUNTRIES IN THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE PATRIOTIC FRONT", ADDED THE RESOLUTION.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OBSERVED: "MEETING AT A TIME WHEN THE NATION CONTINUE TO FACE UNPROVOKED MILITARY AGGRESSION FROM THE OPPRESSIVE AND RACIST REGIMES IN RHODESIA AND SOUTH AFRICA, THE COUNCIL WISHES TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR NATIONAL DEFENCE AND SECURITY FORCES FOR THE VIGILANT AND PATRIOTIC MANNER IN WHICH THEY HAVE CARRIED OUT THEIR DUTIES IN HELPING TO ENSURE THE INDEPENDENCE, PEACE, STABILITY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF OUR NATION."

RESOLUTION RELATED TO THE COUNTRY'S INTERNAL PROBLEMS ENDORSED PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S CRITICISM WHEN HE OPENED THE MEETING ON MONDAY OF THE FAILURE BY SOME PARTY AND GOVERNMENT LEADERS TO IMPLEMENT SOME PARTY POLICIES AND PROGRAMS.

THE FOUR-DAY MEETING ASCRIBED THIS FAILURE TO "IDEOLOGICAL RESISTANCE TO CHANGE" BY SUCH LEADERS IN THE COUNTRY.
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ON ECONOMIC REFORMS, THE COUNCIL NOTED "WITH CONCERN THE ACUTE IDEOLOGICAL PROBLEM DUE TO DOUBTFUL ACCEPTANCE BY A SMALL SECTION OF THE LEADERSHIP" OF THE COUNTRY'S NATIONAL PHILOSOPHY OF "HUMANISM".

IT FURTHER OBSERVED THAT THERE IS "A LOT OF MISPLACEMENT OF PERSONNEL, SOMETIMES VIVIDLY RELATED TO TRIBAL AFFILIATIONS AS AGAINST MERIT AND QUITE OFTEN PERSONS NOT PROPERLY ACQUAINTED WITH OPERATIONS IN PARTICULAR SPHERES FIND THEMSELVES ALWAYS LEARNING THE ART OF THE TRADE AS THEY DO NOT STAY LONG ENOUGH IN THEIR ASSIGNMENTS."

IT RESOLVED THAT THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD CONTINUE ITS PROGRAM TO TRAIN LOCAL TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MANPOWER, ESPECIALLY IN THE MINING INDUSTRY, IN ORDER "TO SPEED UP THE ZAMBINIZATION PROGRAM IN THAT SECTOR."

MEANWHILE, THE LONG AWAITED NATIONAL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL HAS NOW BEEN FORMED, THE TIMES OF ZAMBIA REPORTS TODAY.

THE FORMATION OF THE EXPORT BODY WAS ANNOUNCED BY ZAMBIA'S MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOREIGN TRADE, JAMES MAPOMA.

THE TIMES ALSO REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL OF MOZAMBIQUE
DUE HERE TO OPEN THE ZAMBIAN TRADE FAIR, WILL BE GRANTED THE FREEDOM
OF THE CITY OF NDOLA WHEN HE ARRIVES IN THE COPPERBELT CITY
TOMORROW.

ACCORDING TO ANOTHER TIMES REPORT, MORE THAN 600 ALIENS HAVE BEEN
ROUNDED UP IN KITWE IN ZAMBIA S COPPERBELT PROVINCE DURING THE PAST
MONTH BY COMBINED GOVERNMENT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

QUOTING A SOURCE IN THE IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT, THE NEWSPAPER
SAYS MOST OF THE ALIENS ROUNDED UP HAD ENTERED THE COUNTRY
ILLEGALLY.

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